

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1323

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Joe and Carolyn Southern upon the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Joe and Carolyn Southern were joined in holy matrimony on February 12, 1972, by Carolyn's father, Reverend Fred Manning, at the Power House Baptist Church; since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, highly respected citizens of their community, Mr. and Mrs. Southern are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Joe Southern retired after thirty years with Norfolk Southern Railroad; Carolyn Southern retired after forty-three years at the Berkline Corporation; and

WHEREAS, their marriage was blessed with one son, the late Jason Southern; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Southerns' truly represent the best and brightest of our society, as they remind us of the intrinsic value of continuity and commitment in this ever-changing world; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we congratulate Joe and Carolyn Southern on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our warmest wishes for continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.